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ONE CENT

LOSS IS MORE THAN A MILLION DOLLARS

Fall River Line Steamer and Pier Gone and Other Steamers Damaged-- Several Other Disastrous Fires This Morning.

NEWPORT, R. I., March 27--The Fall River Line's big side wheel steamer Plymouth, was burned to the water's edge, the freight steamer City of Lowell was damaged, a long pier shed, hoisting shears, paint shop and old railroad station were destroyed and the paint was scorched off three other steamers.

ARRESTS FOLLOW BANK'S COLLAPSE

Five of Those Concerned in Failure of Enterprise National Bank Taken Into Custody.

PITTSBURGH, March 26--Five arrests were made today as a result of the failure of the Enterprise National Bank of Allegheny, which suddenly closed its doors last October, following the sensational outside of its cashier, Lee C. Gieseler.

MINERS MAY BOLT FROM MITCHELL

PITTSBURGH, Mar. 27--Information was received here yesterday to the effect that National President Mitchell has made a proposition to the operators to sign a five per cent. of them on the wage scale of 1903, but refuses to sign with Mr. Robkins in this individual, even though he represents over 50 per cent. of the bituminous coals.

MANUAL TRAINING OR COMMERCIAL COURSE?

The Former Should Take Precedence in the School Curriculum as its Value is More General-- Views of W. S. Fisher.

In an interview this morning W. S. Fisher said he was much gratified at the action of the Board of School Trustees at last night's meeting, in deciding to introduce manual training; but had little to say regarding the commercial course.

A \$100,000 Blaze

BUTTE, Mont., March 27--Fire in the Olean Block last night resulted in approximately \$100,000 damage to the wholesale stock of the Passmore Paper Company, through the warehouse being flooded with water.

A Theatre Destroyed

MERIDEN, Conn., March 27--The Meriden Theatre on Church street, the largest playhouse in the city, was destroyed by fire this morning and the loss is expected to reach nearly \$200,000. It is not known how the fire started.

WANTS AUTHORITY TO CONFINE ALL LEPROSERS

Hon. Sydney Fisher is Also Promoting a Bill to Amend Fruit Marks Act.

OTTAWA, Ont., March 27 (special)--Mr. Fisher has given notice of two bills. One is to amend the fruit marks act. It is for the purpose of carrying out certain recommendations passed by the fruit convention. One provision of the bill is to take evidence of violations of the fruit marks act abroad, so that the parties may be dealt with in a lazaretto. This is now being done without legal authority.

CRUSHED BY A TEAM

Sydney Lad Badly Hurt While Enjoying Free Ride--New Steamer for Cape Breton.

SYDNEY, March 27--(Special)--While endeavoring to climb on a wagon loaded with pressed hay young Francis Andes, aged nine years, pulled a handle over on the top of him. The driver became excited by the cries of the child and backed the loaded vehicle over the lad's left side. Andes will not likely recover.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., March 27--Morris Beck, who shot and killed Mrs. Canfield, the wife of an oil millionaire, was yesterday sentenced to be hanged.

Jurors and Principal Witnesses in White Slave Case



Hattie Warren's story was that in February of last year she had gone into a room in Lower Sixth avenue, and a drink in the rear room and then became unconscious. She added: "When I recovered my senses it was daylight and I was in bed in a strange room. My clothing was gone and beside the bed were a hatbox and wadded paper. The next day he sent me to a laundry, saying he would buy me a new dress. I was afraid of him and did as he told me. He told me to go upstairs, saying he would buy me a new dress. I was afraid of him and did as he told me. He told me to go upstairs, saying he would buy me a new dress. I was afraid of him and did as he told me."

LIQUOR INTEREST TO BE PUT ORGANIZED FRONT AGAINST OTHER PARTY

It is very likely that there will be strenuous doings between the liquor interests and the temperance people as represented by the Temperance Federation and kindred organizations, in the very near future. It is equally certain that the fight, when it comes, will be as hot as a final one possible for both parties are now well prepared for the fray.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Hiram Webb The death occurred at Rousesay at 8 o'clock this morning of Mrs. Hiram Webb, wife of the well known electrician.

WILL THE 'C. P. R. BUILD STATION ON EAST SIDE?

Report That the Big Corporation May Make Big Property Deal and Erect Depot and Freight Sheds Below Main Street.

Quite a number of property holders will be interested in the deal, as the section under consideration comprises a large number of buildings, as well as pond lots in the rear. Among the principal properties are: Geo. M. Murphy's, John A. Kelly's, Irwin's Bakery, Mrs. Ellen Speigal's, F. E. Sayre & Co. and others.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

A CHEERFUL PROSPECT. Mr. Peter Binks said this morning that when he read the report of the safety board meeting it made him feel as he felt when he gets an old and dear friend.

Interview with Birde. Miss Birdie McWhats informed the Times reporter last evening that her family is not related to the McQuats of Winnipeg. It is possible that the latter name may have been derived from the original McWhats, but there is no record of it here.

What would be one of the biggest property deals that has been undertaken in St. John in some time is being talked of, and the Times has it on very good authority that there is something more than mere rumor in the matter.

John Irwin, baker, stated to the Times this morning that he had been offered \$3000 for his property, 688 Main street. Mr. Irwin added that he would hardly care to dispose of it for less than \$5000. It was stated that "Tom Gooley had been offered \$6000 for his new property and that Mr. Kelly had been approached with reference to the purchase of the building occupied by the Dominion Steam Laundry. Rumor has it that other offers have been made, and while some are reticent in giving information, others admit frankly that they have been approached on the subject.

REID MAY GO FREE DESPITE WARRANT

A Red Hot Legal Battle in Both Police and Supreme Courts Over Liberty of the Young Scotchman Now Held in the Jail.

The young Scotchman, David Reid, seems now to have an excellent chance of regaining his freedom, and his fate as far as Judge Ritchie is concerned, will be decided this afternoon. Should the judge discharge the prisoner at two o'clock this afternoon the crown will have no remedy and Reid will be free.

This morning J. B. M. Baxter appeared in the police court and asked for a further remand of Reid. Judge Ritchie inquired why he applied for a habeas corpus order while the matter was pending judgment before him, and after some discussion on the matter Mr. Baxter decided to bring Judge Treuman, who is acting for the crown, to court. Accordingly he was sent for also. After his arrival Reid was brought into court.

Mr. Baxter, after reading several sections of the Fugitive Offenders Act of England and several from the Canadian Fugitive Offenders Act, contended that no sworn information had been produced here, which was one of the important requisites in the procedure of the case. Mr. Baxter stated that the original warrant was not here, but seemingly had been held by the officers, who will bring it to this country when they arrive for Reid. The fact of the matter was they should have produced the warrant instead of the instrument purporting to be the warrant, which had been endorsed by Mr. Justice McLeod, he thinking it to be the original warrant.

Judge Treuman stated that the instrument in question was the original warrant, Mr. Baxter contended that the warrant was not signed by a magistrate, but by "John David Sims," Judge Treuman read a section which said that the sheriff or his deputy was in Scotland a magistrate, and contended that by Clarke McLeod was any authority, which directs the apprehension of a prisoner. Judge Treuman also said that where a prisoner is being held for his services by a white woman who with her and who gave the name of Mrs. J. Spriggs Cora Chester was called. She said she had seen Spriggs had Hattie and kick her and that the girl had shown the discolored on her back after his beatings. She told the lawyer for the defence she had been in the house five years, and in that time had been off three times, going to the theatre with Mrs. Spriggs.

Before adjourning Judge Treuman stated that he hoped that Judge Ritchie would not discharge the prisoner this afternoon, as he would have no remedy. If Reid were discharged and the prosecutor did not see fit to let him remain free, they would have to get a new warrant and endeavor to have the prisoner up again. If the habeas corpus order was granted it would be different, because Reid would have to remain in the city for fifteen days and the prosecution would still have an opportunity of prosecuting him.

WERE CORTELYOU, BLISS AND PERKINS ARRESTED? NEW YORK, March 27--Warrants for the arrest of three prominent life insurance officials were obtained today by District Attorney Jerome from Magistrate Moses of the Tombs Court. It was said that the men had been arrested in the criminal courts building and that their attorneys at the same time were in the Supreme Court arranging for writs of Habeas Corpus in connection with the proceeding.

It was reported in the Criminal Court that the warrants asked for were for the arrest of Geo. B. Cortelyou, chairman of the Republican National Committee; Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer of that committee, and Geo. W. Perkins, formerly vice-president of the New York Life Company.

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